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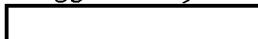
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RAILROAD BRIDGES
CAO NUNG, NORTH VIETNAM
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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE DAMAGED CAO NUNG RAILROAD
BRIDGE AND A BY-PASS RAILROAD BRIDGE.


2. LOCATION:

THE CAO NUNG RAILROAD BRIDGE IS LOCATED ON THE HANOI/PING-
HSIANG RAILROAD AT CAO NUNG, TWENTY-SEVEN NM SOUTHWEST OF THE
NORTH VIETNAM/CHINA BORDER.

3. REMARKS:

THE CAO NUNG RAILROAD BRIDGE WAS FIRST DAMAGED ON 20 SEPTEMBER
1965. SINCE THEN THE BRIDGE HAS BEEN STRUCK SEVERAL TIMES. ATTEMPTS
TO RECONSTRUCT THE BRIDGE WERE FIRST NOTED IN LATE DECEMBER 1965.

4. MISSION READOUT:

 REVEALS A FOUR PIER DECK-TYPE RAILROAD
BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT THE SITE OF THE DESTROYED CAO NUNG
BRIDGE. TWO OF THE FOUR SPANS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. A SERVICEABLE
BY-PASS RAILROAD BRIDGE IS LOCATED 250 METERS WEST OF THE MAIN LINE.
THE RAILROAD IN THIS AREA APPEARS TO BE A DUAL GUAGE (STANDARD AND
METER) TRACK ON BOTH THE MAIN LINE AND ON THE BY-PASS.

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